What is Claimed is:

1.   A fish hook comprising:

    a.   a shank having a first end and a second pointed end;

    b.   an operable member having a base and a pointed pivoting member

5   mounted on the base, the pointed member operable between a first retracted position and

a second extended position;

    c.   the base having surfaces defining a channel and the shank received in

the channel; and

    d.   the pointed member operable from the first position to the second

10   position responsive to engagement of the fish hook with a mouth of a fish.

2.   A fish hook according to claim 1 wherein the operable member further

comprising at least one surface frictionally engaging the operable member.

15   3.   A fish hook according to claim 2 wherein the at least one surface frictionally

engaging the operable member includes at least one member extending from the base.

4.   A fish hook according to claim 3 wherein the at least one extending member

includes at least two spaced apart tabs.

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5.   A fish hook according to claim 3 wherein the operable member is pivotably

mounted in at least one of the at least one member extending from the base.

6. A fish hook according to claim 1 further comprising the pointed member having a pointed distal end angled away from the shank.

7. A fish hook according to claim 1 wherein the channel is a rounded channel
5   resiliently clamping the shank.

8. A fish hook according to claim 1 wherein the channel clamps a curved portion of the shank.

10 9. A fish hook according to claim1 further comprising the pointed member having a plurality of sharpened points.

10. A fish hook according to claim 1 further comprising an over center surface that resists movement of the pivoting member from the extended position to the retracted
15 position.

11. A fish hook according to claim 1 further comprising engageable surfaces that, when engaged, limit the movement of the pivoting member.

20 12. A fish hook according to claim 2 wherein the at least one surface frictionally engaging the pivoting member includes surfaces defining a slot in communication with the channel.

13.   A fish hook according to claim 1 wherein the operable member further

comprises at least one surface frictionally engaging the operable member.

14.   An auxiliary member for mounting on a fish hook;

5   a.   an operable member having a base and a pointed pivoting member

mounted on the base, the pointed member operable between a first retracted position and

a second extended position;

              b.   the base having surfaces defining a channel sized for clampingly

receiving a shank portion of the fish hook; and

10   c.   the pointed member operable from the first position to the second

position responsive to engagement of the fish hook with a mouth of a fish.

15.   A fish hook according to claim 14 wherein the at least one surface

15   frictionally engaging the operable member includes at least one member extending from

the base.

16.   A fish hook according to claim 15 wherein the at least one extending

member includes at least two spaced apart tabs.

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17.   A fish hook according to claim 15 wherein the operable member is pivotably

mounted in at least one of the at least one member extending from the base.

18.   A fish hook according to claim 14 further comprising the pointed member having a pointed distal end angled away from the shank.

19.   A fish hook according to claim 14 wherein the channel is a rounded channel

5   resiliently clamping the shank.

20.   A fish hook according to claim 14 wherein the channel clamps a curved portion of the shank.

10   21.   A fish hook according to claim 14 further comprising the pointed member having a plurality of sharpened points.

22.   A fish hook according to claim 14 further comprising an over center surface that resists movement of the pivoting member from the extended position to the retracted

15   position.

23.   A fish hook according to claim 14 further comprising engageable surfaces that, when engaged, limit the movement of the pivoting member.

20   24.   A fish hook according to claim 15 wherein the at least one surface frictionally engaging the pivoting member includes surfaces defining a slot in communication with the channel.